

Service Date: March 24, 1986

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER of the Application )	
of the TOWN OF JOLIET For Auth- )	UTILITY DIVISION
ority to Increase Sewer Rates and )	DOCKET NO. 86.1.4
Charges. )	DEFAULT ORDER NO. 5187

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On January 23, 1986, the Town of Joliet (Town or Applicant) filed an application with the Montana Public Service Commission for an order authorizing the Applicant to increase its sewer rates to provide revenues to defray increased costs of operation and to maintain and repair existing systems.

Having considered the application and documentation furnished by the Applicant in support of its application and deeming itself fully advised in the premises, the Commission makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. A Notice of Opportunity For Public Hearing to be held, if requested, was published in the February 13, 1986 edition of the Carbon County News and the February 11, 1986 edition of the Billings Gazette. The notice stated that if no requests for a public hearing were received by March 7, 1986 an appropriate order may be issued based upon the evidence submitted with the application.

2. No protests or requests for public hearing were received and no hearing was scheduled.

3. The Town Council of the Town of Joliet passed Resolution No. 210-85 setting sewer rates at the proposed level.

4. The Town alleges it needs additional revenue to provide for increased costs of operation and to adequately maintain the existing system.

5. The Town anticipates that the proposed rates will increase annual revenues by approximately \$7,300.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Commission has jurisdiction over the parties and proceedings in this matter.

2. The resulting rate levels are reasonable and just.

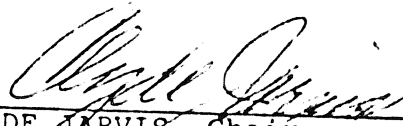
#### ORDER

1. The rates as filed by the Town with its application are authorized.

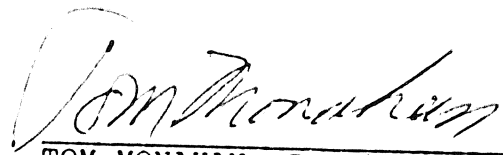
2. These rates shall be effective for all sewer services rendered on and after March 17, 1986.

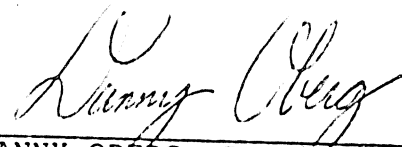
DONE IN OPEN SESSION at Helena, Montana on this 17th day of March, 1986 by a 5 - 0 vote.


BY ORDER OF THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

  
CLYDE JARVIS, Chairman

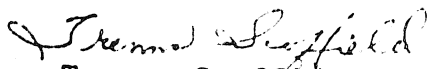
  
HOWARD I. ELLIS, Commissioner

  
TOM MONAHAN, Commissioner

  
DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

  
JOHN B. DRISCOLL, Commissioner

ATTEST:

  
Trena Scoffield  
Secretary

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NOTE: Any interested party may request the Commission to reconsider this decision. A motion to reconsider must be filed within ten (10) days. See 38.2.4806, ARM.